City of Opa-locka Public Notice

Notice is hereby given to all owners of land within the boundaries of the City of Opa-locka, Florida (the "City") that the City intends to use the uniform method for collecting non-ad valorem assessment levied by the City, as set forth in Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, and that the City Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at approximately at 7:00 p.m. at Opa-locka Municipal Complex, Commission Chambers, 780 Fisherman St., Third Floor Avenue, Opa-locka, Florida.



The purpose of the public hearing is to consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing the City to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments to fund the costs and expenses incurred by the City in abating nuisances on individual properties where property owners have failed to abate nuisances after having been properly notified, in accordance with City of Opa-locka Ordinance 2022-21. If adopted, the non-ad valorem assessment will be levied for the first time for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and for each year thereafter until discontinued.

The proposed assessment will be equal to the sum of all costs incurred by the City, including the cost of abating the nuisance up to and including the possible removal of structures, obtaining title information, lien recordation, inspections, legal, postal and publication expense as well as all other direct or indirect costs associated with the City abating the nuisance associated with a property. All City property owners have the right to appear at this public hearing and have the right to file written objections within 20 days of publication of this notice.

Interested parties may appear at the public hearing in person. However, since space is limited at hearings, participation can also be done virtually by registering on the City of Opa-locka website at www.opalockafl.gov by 7:00 p.m. on February 22, 2023 to receive the meeting link. Persons wishing to observe the hearing but not participate can do this by going to the following site: https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofOpaLocka. Persons with disabilities who need reasonable accommodations are asked to e-mail such requests to jflores@opalockafl.gov, or call 305-953-2800, at least seven business days in advance of this hearing. If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this public hearing, such person will need a record of the proceeding, and for these purposes the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made at their own expense and which record includes testimony and evidence on which the appeal is based (F.S. 286.0105).